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Office of NEPA Policy and Assistance: Simpson: 6-0125

SUBJECT:

Second Edition of "Effective Public Participation under the National Environmental

Policy Act"

TO: NEPA Compliance Officers and NEPA Contacts (list attached)

Attached for your use are copies of the second edition of "Effective Public Participation under the National Environmental Policy Act" (the "Gold Book"). We have revised the December 1994 Gold Book to be consistent with subsequent (1996) amendments to the NEPA regulations and included other needed updates (e.g., the Uniform Resource Locator for the Department's NEPA Web). This replaces the first edition of the Gold Book, dated December 1994, which should be recycled.

Please distribute copies of the Gold Book throughout your organization, and let us know if you need more copies. We also are posting it on the Department NEPA Web (http://tis.eh.doe.gov/nepa/) and will be including it in the updated NEPA Compliance Guide.

If you have any questions, please direct them to Stephen Simpson on 202-586-0125 (fax: 202-586-7031; e-mail: stephen.simpson@eh.doe.gov).

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